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CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PORG, SF, WA

SUBJECT: NAMIBIA: AMBASSADOR YOUNG HOSTS WORKING

BREAKFAST

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1. AMBASSADOR YOUNG, WITH AMBASSADORS LEONARD AND MCHENRY, HOSTED AN INFORMAL WORKING BREAKFAST AM APRIL 21 FOR APPROXIMATELY A DOZEN PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES TO DISCUSS SOUTHERN AFRICA, AND PARTICULARLY NAMIBIA. PRESENT WERE THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES OF BOTSWANA, DENMARK, EGYPT, FRANCE FRG, GABON, INDIA, JAPAN,

MAURITIUS, NIGERIA, UK, AND SWEDEN, AS WELL AS THE DEPUTY PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES OF CANADA, UK AND TANZANIA. (THE AMBASSADORS FROM ANGOLA, KUWAIT, MOZAMBIQUE, AND ZAMBIA WERE INVITED BUT UNABLE TO ATTEND.)

2. THE OCCASION PROVIDED AMBASSADOR YOUNG WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO BRIEF THE AMBASSADORS ON HIS RECENT TRIPS TO SOUTHERN AFRICA AND TO ADVISE THEM OF THE CURRENT STATUS OF THE INITIATIVES IN WHICH THE UNITED STATES IS INVOLVED IN SOUTHERN AFRICA. WITH THE SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON NAMIBIA ABOUT TO BEGIN, THE CONVERSATION QUICKLY GRAVITATED TO NAMIBIA. A FRANK AND LIVELY DISCUSSION ENSUED, IN WHICH WE HAD A CHANCE TO URGE SUPPORT FOR OUR PROPOSAL AND CLARIFY FURTHER THE RATIONALE BEHIND OUR DESIRE FOR SC CONSIDERATION WITHOUT DELAY, AND IN WHICH OTHERS HAD OPPORTUNITY TO SET FORTH THEIR POINTS OF VIEW AND RAISE RELATED ISSUES OF CONCERN.

3. AMONG THOSE ISSUES WERE: (A) NIGERIAN AMBASSADOR HARRIMAN'S CONCERN THAT WHAT HE CONSIDERS MOST EFFECTIVE MEANS TO SOLVE SOUTHERN AFRICAN PROBLEMS -- ECONOMIC SANCTIONS AGAINST SOUTH AFRICA -- IS BEING UNFORTUNATELY IGNORED IN FAVOR OF EFFORTS AT NEGOTIATION; (B) BOTSWANA AMBASSADOR TLOU'S APPARENT UNEASE OVER RECENT AFRICAN GROUP OPPOSITION TO SECURITY COUNCIL ACTION. TLOU  
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SUGGESTED THAT THE FIVE SHOULD UNDERSTAND AFRICAN UNWILLINGNESS TO TAKE A PUBLIC POSITION ON THE PROPOSAL IN THE ABSENCE OF SWAPO'S REACTION; HE ADDED, HOWEVER, THAT THE FRONTLINE HAVE "ADVISED" SWAPO (TO BE FLEXIBLE) IN THE PAST AND ASSURED THAT "THAT ADVICE IS NOT YET OVER".

4. COMMENT. THE WESTERN FIVE WILL BE LOBBYING QUIETLY AND EXTENSIVELY THROUGHOUT THE SPECIAL GA SESSION ON NAMIBIA. THIS WORKING BREAKFAST PROVIDED AN OPPORTUNITY TO TALK INFORMALLY WITH A NUMBER OF KEY AMBASSADORS BEFORE THE SESSION GETS UNDER WAY. WHILE NOT DECISIVE, THE EXCHANGE OF VIEWS WAS CANDID AND THOUGHTFUL AND SERVED TO UNDERLINE THE UNITY OF GOALS, IF NOT NECESSARILY OF TACTICS. YOUNG

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